

THE HARVEST

November & December 2025

Christ Episcopal Church
Together, We are Christ

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The first day of Advent is Sunday, November 30

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



November

Robyn	Krueger	November 05
Michael	Lepkyj	November 08
Cynthia	Few	November 12
Margaret	Lupo	November 13
Ron	Winter	November 17
Cooper	Buchanan	November 21
Hartley	Hutchins	November 26
Petrie	Gregory	November 29

December

Jonathan	Bisher	December 02
Sharon	Dixon	December 03
Kevin	Miller	December 03
Brian	Monaco	December 03
Jack	Taylor	December 04
Faith	Mrowczynski	December 06
John	Urtel	December 07
Betty	Stevenson	December 09
Thomas	Lupo	December 12
Diane	Nelson	December 14
Joan	Winter	December 15
Frederick	DeWaters	December 20
Kim	Miller	December 20
Courtney	Taylor	December 20
Thomas Kurt	Ohar	December 23
Wende	Weseman	December 24
Joseph	Kozlowski	December 26
Bonnie	Bundrock-Witt	December 29
Erika	Kastel	December 29



NOVEMBER

Robert & Cynthia Theurer	November 04
Joseph & Robin Kozlowski	November 06
Larry & Wende Weseman	November 07
Jack & Jean Taylor	November 12
Alan & Cindy Shaw	November 18
Michael & Tammy Steen	November 27

DECEMBER

Todd & Paula Shears	December 01
Thomas & Margaret Lupo	December 27

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **November 26th – Thanksgiving Eve Eucharist at 5:00 p.m. (Pie to follow)**
- **December 4th – Men’s Club 6 p.m.** in the parish hall. Please call the church to let us know if you are attending. We are having Pizza & Wings
- **December 7th – Stewardship Sunday (breakfast between services)**
- **December 9th – Finance Meeting, 1:00 p.m.** in the parish hall.
- **December 11th – Mary Hunt Guild Meeting, 5:30 p.m.** in the parish hall. Bring an appetizer to pass.
- **December 12th – Chorale Concert at 7:00 p.m.**
- **December 16th – Vestry Meeting, 1:00 p.m.** in the parish hall. All are welcome



Christmas Services

Christmas Eve 5:00 PM

Christmas Day 10:00 AM

200th ANNIVERSARY OF CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Our 200th anniversary of Christ Episcopal Church will be in 2028 (1828 – 2028). The celebration will take place some time in the Month of September 2028. If you are interested in being on this committee or co-chairing, please let the office know so it can be noted.

FURNACE UPDATE

ACE Mechanical is in the process of updating our furnace system. There will be heat throughout this process. They are just waiting for the new control system to come in. It should be here within the next couple weeks.

If you have any changes to your address, email, phone number, birthday, anniversary, or know of anyone that needs to be added to our new database, please contact the office at 716-433-9229.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Did you know that if you are age 73 or over and you are required to take a minimal distribution from your IRA (or other investments), you can donate that distribution to your church or other charity and not pay income tax on it? Contact your investment company and they will send you the necessary forms. It is quite easy.

Here is the link to the IRS that explains it in detail:

<https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/seniors-can-reduce-their-tax-burden-by-donating-to-charity-through-their-ira>

John Scott

Finance Committee Chairman

HARVEST HAPPENING FINAL NUMBERS



Soup	\$1,144.00
Basket Raffle	\$1,390.00
Bake Sale	\$ 710.00
50/50	\$ 202.00
Additional Donations	<u>\$ 415.00</u>
Total Before Expenses	\$3,861.00

Expenses	<u>-\$1,014.00</u>
Total Fundraiser Profit	\$2,847.00

MARY HUNT GUILD

Thank you to everyone who assisted in making our Harvest Happenings event a success

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Our Christmas Family has been chosen for this year. We will have our traditional Christmas tree set up with tags on it to be chosen by members who want to participate.

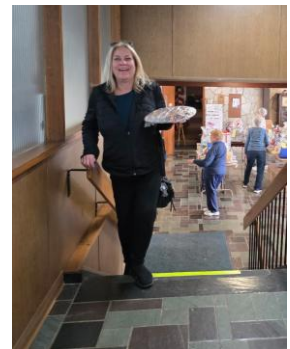
The Mary Hunt Guild is donating \$200 towards the homeless initiative through the diocese for rain proof sleeping bags. The Church is matching the \$200 with their donations from the parish through our Outreach Committee.

We have donated several warm clothes and Coats for the "JUST ONE Deacon Challenge" Deacon Martha Farone has been here two times already to pick up clothes/coats. The last day to drop off clothes/coats is Wednesday, November 19th.

HARVEST HAPPENING



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THOSE WE ARE HOLDING IN PRAYER

Laurie Monaco, Tim McQueen, Natalie Gennaro, Nicole T, Renee Gerhardt, Pedro Maymi, Patrick O’Sullivan., Hans Hyde, Richard Shears, Dave Hogg, Deb Donnelly, Joanna Southard, Carol Stokes, Marsha Johnson, Emmaline Hennessey, Hannah Koepsell, Jim Currie, Micah Stoll, Eileen Owen, Kay Hamielec, Donna Massaro, Nancy Woods, Barbara Kelley, Castle, Grace Winter, Michelle Baker, Roxanne Fritz, Amy, MaryAnn Hawkes, Melanie Keleher, Kylie Woods, Nancy Upthegrove Jaramillo, Adam Gaskill, Philip Faust, Tom R., Linda Kraus, Richard Witt, Kim Ricks, Joanne Conley, Cindy Few, Heather Theurer, St. Mark’s, North Tonawanda, families in conflict, the unemployed, and others in need of prayer.

THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES & FIRST RESPONDERS

Devon Mackenzie, Matthew Yount, Kyle Schreader, William Sloan, Bobby Holmes, Darren Tinkham, John Balzer, James Bindert, Marshall Taylor, Thomas Griffin, Bob Urtel, Joe, David Andrew DeYoung, Kevin Morse, Ron Steen, David Upson, John Taylor, Philip Sutton, Allen Upson, Adam Dear, Jeremey McKenzie, Shane Woods, and Ryan Gassmann.

PRAYER OF DISCERNMENT

Gracious God, we give thanks for your loving care for the people of the Diocese of Western New York and the members of the Bishop’s Search and Transition Committees. Give us wisdom and understanding as we discern your will. We ask for the gifts of honesty, to speak the truth in love; openness to the gifts and ideas of others and to the Holy Spirit; and willingness, to see your Light shining among us and on the path ahead. Prepare for our Diocese a bishop who will be a faithful pastor and equip us for the ministries to which we are called in these changing times. Help us to love and serve your world and one another in the Spirit of Christ, trusting in you to be our steadfast helper and guide. Amen.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH



HOW LONG TO COOK A TURKEY

WEIGHT	UNSTUFFED TIME	STUFFED TIME	TIPS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These cooking times are for an oven temp of 325-degrees F • Use these times for suggestions but always use a meat thermometer to determine doneness (165-degrees) • Remove the turkey from the oven when it reaches 160-degrees (keep covered). It will continue to cook when you remove it and reach 165-degrees within 10-15 minutes.
• 8-12 LBS	• 2.5-3 HRS	• 3-3.5 HRS	
• 12-14 LBS	• 3-3.5 HRS	• 3.5-4 HRS	
• 14-18 LBS	• 3.5-4 HRS	• 4-4.5 HRS	
• 18-20 LBS	• 4-4.5 HRS	• 4.5-5 HRS	
• 20-24 LBS	• 4.5-5 HRS	• 5-5.25 HRS	

Taste of Home

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Turkey Soup

Total Time Prep: 30 Min. Cook: 4 Hours

Yield 12 Servings (5 Quarts)

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Test Kitchen Approved

Use up all those turkey leftovers, from the meat to the bones, in this comforting homemade turkey soup.

Ingredients

- 1 leftover turkey carcass (from a 14-pound turkey)
- 3 quarts water
- 2 cans (14-1/2 ounces each) reduced-sodium chicken broth
- 1/2 cup uncooked long grain rice
- 1 medium onion, finely chopped
- 4 celery ribs, finely chopped
- 2 medium carrots, grated
- 1 bay leaf
- Dash poultry seasoning
- 1/2 teaspoon onion powder
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder



Thanksgiving Leftovers Casserole

Total Time Prep: 30 Min. Bake: 25 Min.

Yield 4 Servings

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Test Kitchen Approved

Combine extra turkey and stuffing into a comforting Thanksgiving leftovers casserole topped with creamy mashed potatoes. Then watch your family dig right in! —Taste of Home Test Kitchen

Ingredients

- 3 medium potatoes, peeled and cut into chunks
- 3 cups leftover cooked stuffing
- 2 cups cubed cooked turkey
- 1 can (10-1/2 ounces) condensed cream of chicken soup, undiluted
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- 2 tablespoons plus 1/4 cup sour cream, divided
- 2 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1/8 teaspoon salt



You Are Loved!

We, the members of Christ Episcopal Church, recognize all human beings as children of God and as our brothers and sisters in Christ. We invite all people to be a part of our church family, to worship with us, and to join us in Holy Communion. All are welcome here, with no exceptions.



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Office Hours for Father Thomas

**Tuesdays & Wednesdays
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

**The office is open Monday
through Thursday
8:15 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.
Available by phone on Fridays**

Vestry Members



John Urtel (Warden)
Gloria Bryant (Jr. Warden)
Gwen Gonzalez
John Scott
Robin Schulmeister
Joanne Stanton
Cheryl Urtel
Suzanne Venezia-Waddell
Sheldon Yount